



QUICK GUIDE – RESUME PREPARATION

- Take time to develop your resume. Devote at least three hours to it.
- Type your name in the top center or upper right-hand corner of the page.
- Start your resume with a brief and clear job/career objective statement or a strong indication of the type of position you are seeking.
- Support your objective with what is relevant and marketable to accomplishing it.
- Stress achievements rather than job descriptions.
- Start your achievement statements with action verbs and do not use vague terms such as “responsible for”.
- Do not write about activities that you do not want to do again. Promote only the skills you enjoy using.
- Use a minimum of words in promoting your qualifications.
- Use bulleted statements. They are quicker and easier to read than paragraphs.
- Prioritize your statements and sections so that the most impressive information is presented first.
- Be creative, but always be honest. Do not lie.
- Fit your resume on no more than two pages. The exception to this limit applies to resumes for the academic and scientific communities.
- Format a two-page resume by placing “Continued” on the bottom of page one and then placing your name and “Page Two” at the top of the second page.
- Proof your resume. There should be no misspellings, grammatical errors, or other mistakes.